

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 1754 - HB 2400**

March 2, 2016

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Department of Transportation (TDOT), to maintain all state park roads including county roads and state highways within such parks.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$50,000/Highway Fund**

**Decrease Local Expenditures - \$50,000**

Assumptions:

- The Governor's Executive Order No.39 from 1983 transferred the responsibility of all state park road maintenance from the Department of Environment and Conservation (then known as Department of Conservation) to TDOT.
- Based on the Attorney General Opinion No. 15-49, issued on June 8, 2015, and Opinion No. 00-100, issued on May 24, 2000, it is assumed that county roads inside state parks are being maintained by local entities.
- The proposed bill would effectively add county roads under TDOT's maintenance.
- The total number of county road miles in state parks for which the maintenance responsibility is being transferred by this bill from local governments to TDOT, and the cost of such maintenance per each mile are unknown.
- However, it is reasonably estimated that the recurring increase in state expenditures to the Highway Fund will exceed \$50,000.
- The recurring decrease in local expenditures is estimated to exceed \$50,000.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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